

prepared a position with a long wall of seven miles. Boats have been observed crossing the Brahmaputra at two points, and, as the remnants of the Kham force are reported to be still crossing in a disorganised condition and looking the country over, I am moving to Kamalong to-day, and hope to seize the passage of the river to murrey with the Mounted troops. The elevation of Yamdok Cho along which we are marching for 26 miles, is found to be 15,000 feet. Peta Jong, July 21.—The Mounted Infantry yesterday found the Jong abandoned and occupied it. We have now penetrated within sixty-five miles of Lhasa. The last two days we followed the banks of the great Yamdok Lake, which glitters a turquoise blue in the sunlight. The villages are deserted; the men and women have fled to the hills with their valuables and flocks, and the fishing boats have been sunk or taken to the other side of the lake. Tibetan troops include Kham boys, who are reported to be collected at Chiquet, the village distant on the further bank of the Brahmaputra where there is a ruined fort. The camp here is pitched beside the Jong, which stands out like Chillon, a picturesque old fortress, crumbling and dilapidated, with courtyards neglected and overgrown with nettles. Our next march takes us to Kamalong, at the foot of the Khamboi Pass, whence we look down the Brahmaputra valley. The Shaps are left at nightfall on the 20th. Troops have been left to garrison Bulung, Nangarise and Peta. A reconnaissance reports that the wall six miles hence stretching from the lake a mile uphill, has been evacuated.

HOMEWARD BOUND.

Troopships Going Home.

Homeward bound vessels leave Bombay as follows: No. (1) with details on the 12th October; No. (2) with 1st Cheshires and 65th Co. R.G.A. on the 21st October; No. (3) with details on the 2nd November; No. (4) with the 3rd Rifle Brigade for Aden, picking up the 1st East Kent for England on the 11th November; No. (5) with details on the 15th December; No. (6) with the 1st Royal Fusiliers, on the 27th December; No. (7) with details on the 8th January; No. (8) with details on the 17th January; No. (9) with details on the 17th February; No. (10) with details on the 1st March; No. (11) with details on the 14th March; No. (12) with 24th, 34th and 72nd Batteries on the 22nd March.

Nos. 62 and 64 Companies R.G.A. leave Singapore on the 27th December and arrive at Bombay on the 6th January 1905; Nos. 60 and 70 Companies R.G.A. leave Bombay on the 7th January and arrive at Aden on the 13th January; Nos. 54 and 55 Companies R.G.A. leave Aden on the 13th January and arrive at Gibraltar on the 28th January.

A transport with the 4th Dragoon Guards Headquarters, the Norfolk Regiment and 53rd Company R.G.A. leaves Bombay about the 1st October 1904, arrives at Port Elizabeth on the 16th October, proceeds to Hongkong, and returns to Singapore to embark the 1st Manchester Regiment for Calcutta. She embarks the remainder of the 1st Manchester Regiment for Calcutta, proceeds to Rangoon for the 2nd Border Regiment for Durban, returns with the 17th, 20th and 24th Batteries R.F. A. and the 9th Brigade 81st Royal Irish R. G. ment from Durban to Calcutta. The dates and names of the ships will be notified later.

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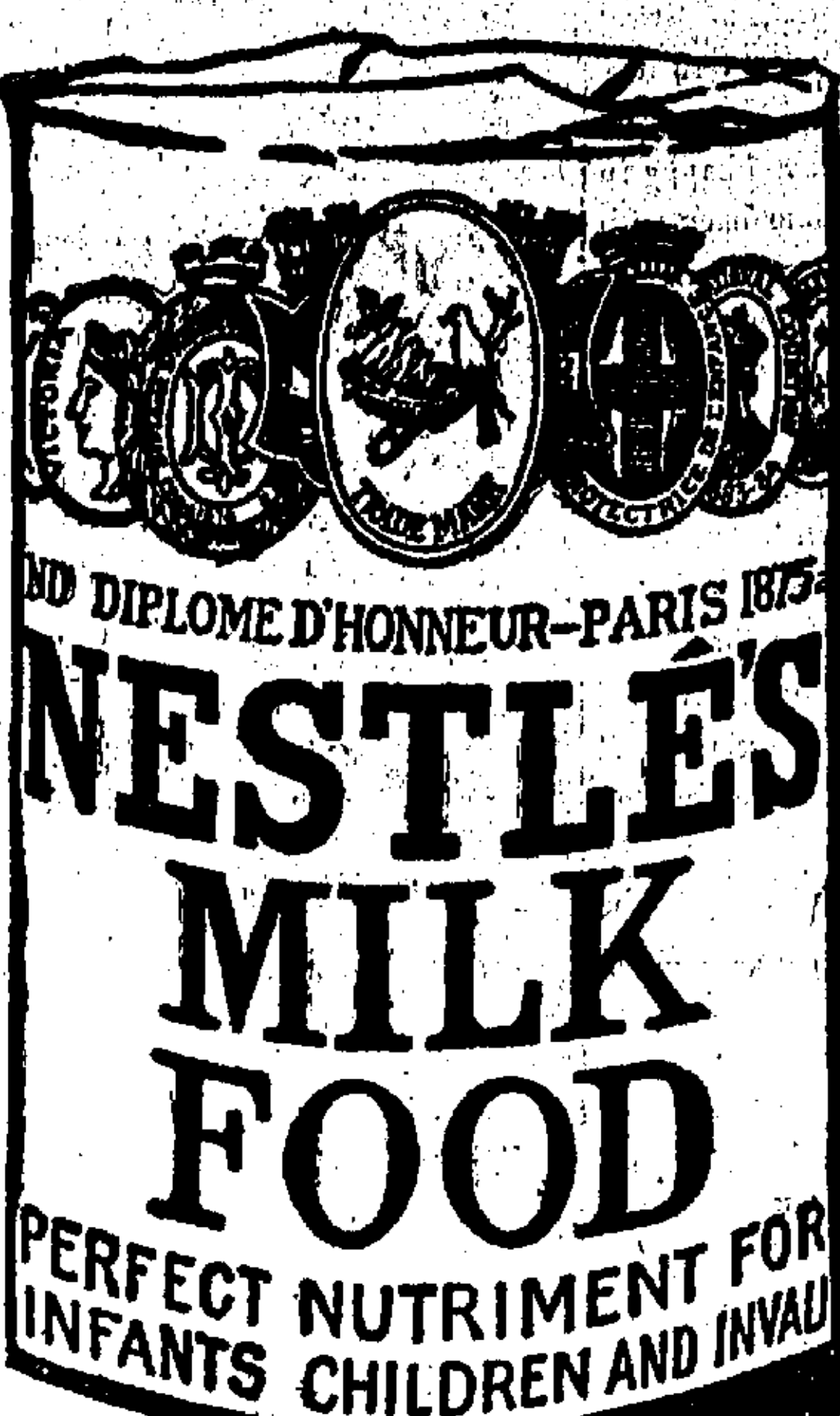
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THE PUNJON MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the OFFICES of the COMPANY, No. 12, Beacomfield Arcade, on MONDAY, 16th August, 1904, at 4 p.m., when the following Resolutions, which were passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on Thursday, 2nd July, 1904, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution, namely:—
'That the Company be wound up voluntarily, and that WILLIAM KERR (1901) HUGHES and ARTHUR WILKINS LOWE, of Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, be, and they are hereby appointed Liquidators for the purpose of such winding up.'
By Order, A. R. LOWE, Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, August 6, 1904. 1445

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 20th day of AUGUST next, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1904.
By Order of the Court of Directors, (Sd.) J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, July 30, 1904. 1396

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTERS of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 8th, to the 20th day of AUGUST next, (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.
By Order of the Court of Directors, (Sd.) J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, July 30, 1904. 1397

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the OFFICES of the COMPANY, Queen's Buildings, 10, Naughton Road, on MONDAY, the 22nd August, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 30th June 1904.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 22nd August, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors, THOS. L. ROE, Secretary.
Hongkong, July 30, 1904. 1398

THE PUNJON MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE SEVENTY-SIXTH ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the OFFICES of the COMPANY, No. 12, Beacomfield Arcade, on MONDAY, the 16th August, 1904, at 4 p.m., when the following Resolutions, which were passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on Thursday, 2nd July, 1904, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution, namely:—
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By Order of the Board of Directors, T. ARNOLD, Secretary.
Hongkong, July 28, 1904. 1395

THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE SEVENTY-SIXTH ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the OFFICES of the COMPANY, No. 12, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, on TUESDAY, the 16th August, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Directors and Auditors.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 16th August, inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors, T. ARNOLD, Secretary.
Hongkong, July 28, 1904. 1395

CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO., LIMITED.
NOTICE.
IN ACCORDANCE with the Provisions of No. 121, of the Articles of Association, the General Agents have this day declared an INTERIM DIVIDEND of 5% for the Half-year ending 31st June, 1904, on the PAID UP CAPITAL.
DIVIDEND WARRANTS, payable on MONDAY, the 29th August, will be sent to Shareholders on application.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 16th to 29th Inst., both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, August 9, 1904. 1465

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Each Registered Shareholder on the 28th day of September, 1904, applying for the New Issue will be entitled to one share for every share registered in his name.
No new shares registered in his name, and not applied for by those entitled to apply will be dealt with by the General Managers in accordance with Article 40 of the Company's Articles of Association.
Applications for Shares in the New Issue will be received by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in Hongkong from the 28th September, 1904, to the 30th September, 1904, both days inclusive, and the whole amount of \$11 per Share will be payable on application.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 28th September, 1904, to the 8th October, 1904, both days inclusive.
The present paid-up Capital of the Company is \$600,000, divided into 60,000 Shares of \$10 each, and the New Issue is required to increase the Capital of the Company to \$900,000 divided into 90,000 Shares of \$10 each.
The whole of the premium received from the New Issue will be placed to the Credit of the Permanent Reserve Fund.
The New Issue will rank for Dividend for the three months ending 31st December, 1904, payable in May, 1905.
Forms of application for the New Issue can be obtained at the Company's Offices in Alexandria Buildings, or at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in Hongkong, Shanghai, and London.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.
Hongkong, June 22, 1904. 1402

**AH WONG, who was formerly in the Employ of our Company as 'HARBOUR MAN' has now been DISMISSED. He has now nothing to do with our Company.
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Hongkong, July 28, 1904. 1378**

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4 p.m.—Meeting of Sunjam Mining Co.,
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Miscellaneous.
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date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.
TUESDAY, August 16—
Noon—Meeting of Shareholders of The
Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steam-
boat Co., Ltd., in the Company's Office.
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Co., Ltd., close from this day to 29th
inst. inclusive.
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p.m. on this date subject to rent.
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THURSDAY, August 18—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Valuable Jewe-
lry, at Mr. Geo. F. Lammar's Sales
Rooms.
FRIDAY, August 19—
Goods per Manche undelivered after this
date at Noon will be subject to rent
and landing charges.
SATURDAY, August 20—
Noon—Meeting of Shareholders of The
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Cor-
poration, at the City Hall.
MONDAY, August 22—
Noon—Meeting of Hongkong & Whampoa
Dock Co., Ltd., at the Company's
Office.
3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at the
Public Works Department's Office.
SATURDAY, August 27—
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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 1904.

THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

The study of Filipino affairs is inter-
esting, and all the more so because of the
many intricate problems yet to be solved.
The solution of them is rendered
still more difficult by the existence of
so many parties holding divergent views
of the situation and as to what should
be done to normalise it. They are, (1)
the Americans pledged to retention;
(2) the Anti-annexionists; (3) the small
Taft party, whose cry is 'The Phil-
ippines for the Filipinos'; (4) the 'Phil-
ippines for the Americans' group, who
ask, 'what did we come here for?' and
pronounce 'benevolent assimilation' a
farce; (5) the Anti-American Phil-
ippines; (6) the Pro-American Filipinos,
called Federals; (7) the Spaniards who
contemplate with fear the probability
of new legislation adversely affecting
their real estate and other vested in-
terests; and lastly, the foreigners, who
declare they can see little difference
between the covert exclusiveness of
Russia and the monopoly of the United
States intended to be drawn
tighter and tighter around the islands
at the opportune time in the name of
Protection. We have said that the
problems are manifold, but we do not
pretend that all the complications which
have arisen under the present govern-
ment in the Philippines would have
been less (although they may have taken
another form) under any other peaceful
settlement of the islands. The repeat-
ed decline in agriculture is principally
due to rinderpest among the buffaloes,
a fatal disease called 'Surra' affecting
horses, unknown before the American
advent, the imposition of a tax on
Capital, the refusal of financiers and
export houses to make advances on
crops in the face of uncertain legisla-
tion, and the labour difficulties created
by the exclusion of Chinese. The fiscal
question may assume a very serious
phase as time goes on, in spite of
protests, appeals, and petitions. On
the first instant there came into force
a new series of taxes, termed Internal
Revenue, which the people, rightly or
wrongly, believe will extinguish the
last spark of vitality in agriculture and
industrial circles. The high rate of
living and the introduction of un-
necessary luxuries and new necessities,
forced upon the community by their
own masters, seem out of all proportion
to the present earning capacity of the
Colony. For instance, when in former
times sugar averaged \$4 per picul, paid
to the planter, his margin was about
\$1.50, out of which he paid off advances,
lived and planted again. Now, every-
thing being dearer, the same price
leaves him a margin of about 50 cents,
with which he can barely exist, cannot
pay off his advances, and, therefore,
cannot continue his planting, because
the financiers have closed upon him,
and it looks as if sugar may, in the
near future, cease to be a Filipino
product. Inter-island steamer traffic
is discouraged by the Government
employment of numerous transports
and a fleet of Coastguard vessels,
which perform that service former-
ly rendered by private enterprise.
Public interest in the question of the
Friars has considerably abated. The
public are beginning to realise the fact
that the Friar who chooses to remain
in the islands will be as free as he ever
was to perform the functions of his
office where his services as a *Religioso*
are accepted, but that in all other
respects he will be on the status of an
ordinary citizen and hold no power
whatever in a lay capacity. Moreover,
the terms on which the Friars were
relinquish their property claims have,
after much unnecessary delay, been
settled, and although the Filipino is
greatly dissatisfied with the terms of
the settlement, which he thinks might
have been far less costly, but which
cannot be reopened, he accepts the
inevitable. But for the Government
there are yet many difficulties likely to
arise from this settlement. The Civil
Commission expects to receive back
from the occupiers of the liberated land
the value of such land by easy in-
stalments, and this resolution is all the
more just because the acquisition of the
land by private holders without any
effort or sacrifice on their part, would

be lost in principle and demoralising.
Difficulties, therefore, may arise from
the fact that many of the occupiers
claim the land as their absolute prop-
erty on the ground that the Friars
never had peaceful possession of the
land, that possession having been dis-
puted in every generation by open riot,
because the Law Courts were closed to
them in any suit against the Friars.
The American law of free cult has
brought into existence the Filipino
Church, which disclaims the tutelage of
Rome, and thousands have joined it.
At the present time half-a-dozen other
forms of religion struggle to make
converts with more or less success.
From a political point of view this may
be considered just as advantageous to the
Government as it is detrimental to the
local cause of absolute independence,
still upheld by a small minority. For
if 'Union is strength,' its general
factors in a political sense are
certainly religion and language. If as
some assert the Filipino Independent
Church movement really be an or-
ganisation intended to secretly assist
the cause of independence, we cannot
but think that its supporters will meet
with disappointments, for surely unity
in the religion taught them by the
Spaniards would have better served
their purpose. The idea of absolute
independence still lingers in the islands,
although its realisation is an im-
possibility. It does not depend at all
on the good-will or action of the United
States.

The possession of the Colony is a
recognised source of weakness to
America, and what has she got by way
of recompense? We look in vain for
either an expression of gratitude or the
increase in wealth of any party concerned
in the change of dominion, therefore,
if America, in disgust, were to one day
relinquish all control over the islands
they would simply become the prey of
any nation against whose fleets the
Filipinos could offer no resistance
whatever. It would serve no purpose
now to discuss what outcome of the
Battle of Cavite would have better
suited American and all other interests
concerned, but accepting the American
occupation as a *fait accompli*, we can-
not but wish American success in her
enterprise. The protecting power,
which existed to the island, having
been destroyed, America is morally
bound to take its place, for the Phil-
ippines, without a navy equal to any one
of the World's second-rate navies,
could not maintain their independence
a year if it were conceded to them.
An army of one million men equipped
in the latest approved fashion could
not save their capital and their chief
ports from simultaneous destruction.
The traveller in the Southern Islands,
popularly termed 'Moro country,' can-
not but feel that he has left the Phil-
ippine Islands, and entered a new
Colony, where the environment is en-
tirely different. Military rule, under
the wise direction of Major-General
Wood, one of America's most large-
hearted and generous sons, is admin-
istered in Mindanao, and no better man
could have been chosen for the task.
Considerable progress has been made
in the pacification of all these islands,
and if what is accomplished would only
last, we may hope to see ere long
the beautiful island of Mindanao an
away plantation. But we who know
the shifty nature of the Moro
doubt whether the present generation
will ever fully acquiesce in the white
man's rule. Then, again, General
Wood's command of the Moro country
may not extend to next year, and it
remains to be seen whether his suc-
cessor will possess the same special qual-
ifications and exquisite tact which so
distinguishes the present Military Go-
vernor of that district. All over the
islands under Civil Government no ef-
forts have been spared to give free
education to the people, and the
openness with which the Filipinos are
acquiring the English language is truly
astonishing. There are classes for the
youngsters, who practically know no-
thing, graduated up to the highest
branches of education, attended by
both married men and women. The
Normal School of Arts and Trade in
Manila is a perfect organisation for
training a boy from zero up to the
knowledge of a trade, which will en-
able him to earn a living. The Ameri-
cans endeavour to teach the Filipinos
self dependence is one of the most
laudable problems in the course of so-
lution. Broadly speaking we may say
that everything in the new system is
tentative. Will the student, so care-
fully trained and generously treated

at the School of Arts and Trade, un-
derstand that he is to earn a living
hereafter as an artisan? Will the
hundred free students sent to America
return Westernised and even happy in
working, or will they come back with
swollen heads and want to draw fat
salaries from the public purse? Every-
thing is as yet experimental in the
Philippines, from the novel idea of
teaching equality between the Asiatic
and the American down to the last
oraz for annihilating mosquitoes.

In the Civil Commission there is at
last a President whose capability and
affability commands the esteem of all
parties and persons, and had he the
power of will to make a couple of
changes in his colleagues it might be
of public advantage. There are many
thinking Americans who question
altogether the policy of government by
Commission, but that matter may well
be left alone, seeing that the Filipinos
are promised a sort of Parliament of
their own twenty-six months hence.
On all sides one hears grumblings and
diverse criticism in the Philippines due
to the transitory condition of things
in a country where the new dominant
power elects to pass over unheeded
the experience of other colonizing
nations in order to proceed on brand
new lines of her own conception.
It does not surprise us at all.
There are everywhere to-day smart
sons who can teach their papas
many a new trick. The elders may
not relish the youngsters' new ways
any more than the Englishman likes
paying \$5.00 for duty on his person in
order to enter the Philippines, while
the Chinaman is let off for \$1, and
apropos of this, we wonder what the
Americans would say if we imposed on
them a countervailing duty on their
entering our Colonies. But amidst
the grumblings it would be refreshing
to hear some spontaneous expression of
gratitude from the Filipino for at least
the priceless boon of personal security,
which the American advent brought
them. Spain had the will to give them
this, but lacked the power to expel the
monastic element from her Government.
We may enquire America's benefi-
cence of power, but we cannot think
with disrespect of Spain's weakness nor
fail to admire the wonderful work of
civilisation she accomplished in the
Philippine Islands, the only Christian
Colony in Asia.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Hongkong Christian Union.
The usual devotional meeting will be
held on Monday afternoon at 5.15 in the
Lecture room of the European Y.M.C.A.,
Alexandra Buildings. All are cordially
invited.

Band Programme.
The following is the programme of
music to be performed by the Band of the
1st Sherwood Foresters, on the Parade
Ground, on Monday, 16th August, from 5
p.m. to 6.30 p.m.:—

PROGRAMME.
March—'The Silver Trumpets'—Viviani
Overture—'The Barber of Seville'—Rossini
Selection—'Genevieve De Brabant'—Rosenbach
Intermezzo—'Songe D'Amour'—Arensky
Le Bal—Ozibulova
Selection—'The Geisha'—Jones
Valse—'Fringill's Lieder'—Gungl
Regimental March—'The Young May Moon'
GOD SAVE THE KING.

STEARN'S WINE, improves both ap-
petite and digestion. It brings back
health to the weak and sickly.

The New Tramway.

The new electric cars commenced run-
ning over the whole of the system early
this morning. A five minutes service was
inaugurated between Kennedy Town and
Causeway Bay, and a half hour service be-
tween Kennedy Town and Shaukiwan. The
service was fairly well maintained through-
out the day, the cars at all times being
crowded. Chinese patronised them more
than Europeans, probably because of the
novelty, and many of them rode from one
end of the line to the other more than once.
The conductors handled the cars very
well, starting off and stopping without the
jerk that are usually noticeable when a
car is in the hands of a new man, no doubt
this is owing to the training that they have
received in the depot before being allowed
out up to the road. Along the line the cars
were the objects of much curiosity, groups
of coolies gathering at various points and
watching them moving along with a great
manifestation of interest and surprise. To
the Chinese the cars appear to be full of
surprises, not the least of which is that in
store for those who try the experiment
of jumping off while they are in motion.

AS USUALLY TREATED a sprain
will disable the injured person for
three or four weeks, but if Chamberlain's
Pain Balm is freely applied a complete cure
may be effected in a very few days. Pain
Balm also cures rheumatism, cuts, bruises
and burns. For sale by All Dealers.
WARRICK & CO., Ltd., General Agents.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.
Mrs Hobbling died at Foochow on
August 1.

It is stated that Mr J. H. Kemp, at
present Acting Magistrate, is to succeed
Mr A. Seth as Deputy Registrar of the
Supreme Court.

Tenders are invited in the Government
Gazette for rearing trees in Nurseries and
supplying seeds, and for making tree pits
and planting trees.

The tramway line from Shaukiwan to
Kennedytown has been declared fit for traffic
by the Director of Public Works, and a
notification to that effect is published in
the Government Gazette.

If any one desires to know at which
hotels they should stay when touring the
world they should procure that handy book
'Where to Stay,' a copy of which comes to
us from the P. & O. Company.

A notification appears in the Govern-
ment Gazette to the effect that the Govern-
ment is prepared to sell the right to erect and
maintain a number of Piers on sites abut-
ting on that part of Causeway Road lying
between Queen Victoria Street and Whitty
Street.

Diary of the War.
Messrs W. Brewer and Co. forward
us part 7 of the diary of the war kept by
the Kobe Chronicle. Like its predecessors
it is well got up and contains some excel-
lent photos.

The Philippines.
In our issue of to-day we publish a
short article on the Philippine Islands by
the well-known author Mr John Foreman,
F.R.G.S., who is making a short stay in
Hongkong after several months' tour in
and about the Philippine Archipelago. The
object of Mr Foreman's wanderings through
that colony was to enquire into its
conditions, from all points of view, under
American rule, and we think we may
assume that a record of his observations
will be published in due course.

Heavy Fines.

Some heavy fines were inflicted at the
Magistracy this morning, by Mr J. H.
Kemp, on illicit dealers in opium. A de-
fendant who was arrested at 1.30 o'clock
this morning with 5 taels, 5 mace of opium,
in his possession was fined \$300, with the
alternative of three months' gaol, while a
second defendant, who was found at Chung-
shawan with 3 mace of opium in his
possession, was fined \$250, with a similar
alternative. A third defendant pleaded
guilty to the possession of 39 taels of opium
gross and was fined \$150. These sums, to-
gether with a number of smaller fines,
brought the total fines inflicted this morn-
ing, in cases in which the Opium Farmer
was interested, up to \$325.

Allice Memorial Hospital.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Allice
Memorial and Netherese Hospitals begs
to acknowledge with thanks the following
donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—
Man Lung\$5
Kam Tak Long5
Yau On5
Tak Cheung Yau5
Shang Cheung5
Wing Cheung5
Leung Lai Chan5
Chi San Hin5
Tin Shing5
Tin Un5
Wing Un Lo5
Jo Shing5
Man Shing5
Wo Un5
Tai Shing5
Sun Cheung5
Sai Shing5

A West-Point Robbery.

Inspector Collett, presented a coolie at
the Magistracy this morning, before Mr
H. H. J. Gompertz, on a charge of stealing
from a house at Queen's Road, West
Point. The robbery in question occurred
on the 31st of last month, and since that
time the police have been trying to catch
the offender. The house was entered in
the usual way, the thief climbing up to the
second floor, and then going in through the
open door, and helping himself to every-
thing that he could lay hands on before
being disturbed. In this instance some
clothes valued at \$25 and \$30 in money were
stolen, and it was through the former that
the arrest was effected. The police at once
went to the pawn shops in the district,
when the robbery was reported, and
succeeded in locating the missing clothes,
and instructed the pawn-brokers, who had
taken the things in pledge, to give infor-
mation when anyone came to redeem any of
them. In this way the man brought before
the Court was recovered, but the money is
still missing. Owing to the owner of the
clothes being absent in Canton the case was
adjourned until next week.

KEEP YOUR BODY NOURISHED.
Keep strong, your Doctor tells you
so. Stearn's Wine will assist you. Ask
your Chemist about Stearn's Wine.

CHANGE OF WATER often brings on
Diarrhoea. For this reason many
experienced travellers carry a bottle of
Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea
Remedy with them to be used in case of an
emergency. This preparation has no equal
as a cure for bowel complaints. It can not
be obtained while on board the cars or
steamship, and that is where it is most
likely to be needed. Buy a bottle before
leaving home. Sold by All Dealers. WARRICK
& CO., Ltd., General Agents.

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SPINN IN ENGLAND.

SEEKING BRITAIN'S SECRETS.

A Foreigner Arrested.

LONDON, August 12.
A foreigner has been arrested at
Milford Haven charged with espionage.
At the time the arrest was made
torpedo and submarine manoeuvres were
being carried out.
Milford is also protected with the
most modern type of fortifications.

['CHINA MAIL'S' SPECIAL SERVICE.]

NEW MAIL STEAMERS.

THE BRITISH INDIA CO.

SUCCESSFUL.

To Convey Mails to Singapore.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SINGAPORE, August 13.
The Mail tender of the British India
Steamship Company of 2150,000 an-
nually for the conveyance of Mails
between Great Britain and the Straits,
has been accepted.

The mails are scheduled to arrive at
Singapore every alternate Saturday.

An extension of the service to
Hongkong is mooted, and if it is
carried out, will replace the service
now being conducted by the French
steamers.

[The British India Company run a line of
steamers from London to Colombo and
Bombay, and another line from Colombo
to Singapore, via Bombay.—E.W. C.M.]

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

BY-ELECTION.

LONDON, August 11.
The bye-election at North-East Lanark
has resulted in the return of Mr Findlay
(Radical) by 5619 votes against Mr Touch's
(Unionist) 4977 and Mr Robertson's
(Labour) 3984. Mr Findlay replaces Sir
W. H. Rattigan (Conservative) deceased.

HONGKONG'S FORESTS.

The Reason of the Tree Felling.

Statement by Mr Dunn.
In order to obtain an authoritative state-
ment regarding the tree felling that is at
present going on in different parts of the
Colony, and being complained of, a repre-
sentative of the China Mail went on Mr
S. T. Dunn, Superintendent of the Botani-
cal and Afforestation Department yester-
day afternoon to learn his views on the
subject.

Mr Dunn said with regard to statements
that had been published in the press re-
cently that appeared to be some mis-
apprehension as to what was being done
by his department. There was no need
for alarm on the score that the slopes
of Hongkong were to be denuded of
their present luxuriant growth of tim-
ber. The fact of the matter was
that a portion of the forests of the Colony
—between one-twenty-fifth and one-
thirtieth—had now reached maturity, and
as was done everywhere where tree plant-
ing was systematically carried out, the
matured trees were being cut down, and
sold and their places filled by young trees.
Wherever one old tree was cut, four
young ones were being planted. The
present was the first cutting in Hongkong,
and, added Mr Dunn, 'I don't suppose
that the first cutting takes place anywhere
without attracting some criticism. Here
the profitable time to cut the tree was at 25
years of age, but in Europe it did not reach
maturity until about twice that age. Of
course in Hongkong the trees would live for
more than 25 years, probably 60 or 70 years,
but the climatic conditions were very
unfavourable to its rapid growth. No trees
were being cut down within ten feet of a
house or a road, and it was certain, from a
hygienic point of view, that four young
trees were more salubrious than one big
one.

There were two systems of felling the
trees, one known as the block system, and
the other by selection. In the first in-
stance the trees were felled in blocks of
say, half-a-square mile, cutting down all
but the smallest trees and subsequently
replanting the whole area. Felling by
selection meant that only the biggest, and
oldest trees, were cut down, and the rest
left standing. This method was much
more expensive than the block system, and
another objection to it was that in felling
big trees a number of smaller ones were
always injured and disfigured.

At Aberdeen a block of trees had been
sold and they were consequently cut down
on that system, and in view of the ex-
pense attached to the selection system, it
would only be adopted in the more
conspicuous places, such as the slopes
surrounding Happy Valley. Thinning out
had taken place below the Taitam reservoir
and in the vicinity of Wongneichong village.
In conclusion, Mr Dunn said that the
growth of the China pine was faster here
than in almost any other locality. Here
the profitable time to cut the tree was at 25
years of age, but in Europe it did not reach
maturity until about twice that age. Of
course in Hongkong the trees would live for
more than 25 years, probably 60 or 70 years,
but the climatic conditions were very
unfavourable to its rapid growth. No trees
were being cut down within ten feet of a
house or a road, and it was certain, from a
hygienic point of view, that four young
trees were more salubrious than one big
one.

'Aye, Aye, Sir.'

A sailor named Patrick Moore, who
was charged at the Magistracy, this morning,
before Mr J. H. Kemp, with having failed
to return to the House of Detention,
created some mirth by giving his reason for
not doing so. 'I don't like that place, your
Worship,' he said, 'I came out yesterday
morning. His Worship—'You will have
to go back again.' Defendant—'I don't
like to go back; it is too much like a gaol.'
His Worship—'Very well, you are sent
out to a month's imprisonment.' Defend-
ant—'Aye aye, Sir.'

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Must be Stearn's and you get the
genuine.

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THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

THE PORT ARTHUR FLEET.

Compelled to Go to Sea.

LONDON, August 12.
 The Russian Fleet left Port Arthur in accordance with an imperative order received from Admiral Skrydloff.

(JAPANESE OFFICIAL TELEGRAMS.)

A DISINTEGRATED FLEET.

TOGO CHASES THE RUSSIANS.

A Running Fight.

Tokio, 12th August, 2.10 p.m.

Admiral Togo reports that whilst the Russian squadron was proceeding southward after the sortie from Port Arthur on the 10th inst., our combined fleet attacked them 45 miles south-east of Port Arthur, and then pursued them in an easterly direction.

The sharp fighting continued from 1 p.m. till sunset.

The enemy apparently suffered heavy damage, and later his fire greatly slackened, while his battle formation was completely disorganised.

The Admiral, Kuroki, Kawachi, Tada, and some destroyers fled southward, and the rest probably fled to Port Arthur after suffering by destroyer and torpedo attacks during the night.

RUSSIANS SERIOUSLY DAMAGED.

FIVE BATTLESHIPS INJURED.

Heavy Concentrated Fire.

Tokio, 13th August, 12.30 p.m.

Admiral Togo reports that out of the six Russian battleships engaged in the battle of the 10th inst. five are believed to be seriously damaged.

The *Pohoda* has both masts broken and her big guns ceased working.

The *Rustan* apparently suffered most, owing to our concentrated shells at the distance of 3500 metres.

The damage to the enemy's cruisers was probably less serious.

The *Bugay* did not emerge from Port Arthur.

Our damages are already temporarily repaired.

(REUTER'S SERVICE.)

THE WAR.

LONDON, August 11.

Reuter's Chief agent wires that on the 11th inst. a Russian destroyer entered Chelof and reported that six Russian battleships, four cruisers, and half the torpedo-boats had escaped from Port Arthur yesterday morning. The destroyer left last night, bringing five passengers, who state that the Japanese fleet is pursuing the Russians, and a battle in the open sea is expected.

THE SINKING OF THE 'KNIGHT COMMANDER.'

Lord Lansdowne, speaking in the House of Lords, said he could not admit that the destruction of the *Knight Commander* was justified, or that the proceedings of the Prize Court were valid. Such measures would affect most injuriously British commerce. His impression was, however, that, despite the untoward incidents which had occurred, both Governments would really be glad to discover a means of settling the difficulties. He was glad to say that the language of the Russian Government, in reply to the British representations, justified a hope that the destruction of neutral prizes was not likely to be repeated, although he could not announce anything tantamount to a distinct settlement.

(MANILA CABLENEWS SERVICE.)

Kuropatkin's Fix.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 9.

The Japanese activity at Port Arthur is being accompanied by a corresponding activity of the Japanese forces threatening Kuropatkin.

Last Sunday the Japanese forces north of Hailong recovered from a repulse administered to them on Friday and made a strong assault on the Russians. The Russians, under the direction of Kuropatkin, managed to repel the assault, but they are reported to be very hard pressed and retreat northward is expected.

It is reported that the Russian commander-in-chief finds his present position almost intolerable and contemplates making some aggressive movement to relieve the pressure of the Japanese forces now encompassing him.

Alleged Japanese Losses.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 9.

A report has reached St. Petersburg to the effect that in the naval battle which took place last week at Port Arthur in which the Japanese cruiser *Kangas* was reported lost, two other Japanese vessels, whose names are unknown, were also badly damaged.

WITH A FIGHTING FLEET.

Amorities in War Time.

Writing of the visit of the expedition, who went out on the *Manchu Maru*, to Admiral Togo's fleet, 'H' in the *Japan Daily Mail* says:—As the huge steamship boat carried us over the short space of sea that separated the *Manchu Maru* from Admiral Togo's battleships we realised that the 17th of July was one of the warmest days that we had yet experienced.

though the sky, it is true, was of that coldly blue tint which the artists say is characteristic of the heavens as seen in this country, in striking contrast to the warm atmosphere of the day which we had been so often unthinkingly compared. The Admiral had with kindly forethought intimated that his visitors should not inflict upon themselves ceremonial dress, and they had reason to be grateful for the concession, though many of the Japanese persisted in donning frock coats. As we went alongside the flagships we noted one circumstance which might or might not possess significance: her torpedo boat presented a very rusty appearance as it lay along her sides under the rail. Also the walls of the massive vessel were severely weather-worn, indicating unmistakably the arduous nature of the service on which so many men of the fleet and her crew have been engaged. We were received at the gangway in due form and at once conducted below, where the whole party assembled in the wardroom, a spacious apartment under the quarter-deck on the port side. It has reason to be of considerable dimensions for it is the living room of no fewer than eighteen officers. There we met practically the whole staff of the *Mikasa* and a large contingent from the *Asahi*, including Captain Nomoto, of the latter vessel. It would be an abuse of terms to say that they formed a brilliant group. Like their ships they looked hard, work-a-day, business-like, yet they did the honours of the day with all the courtesy and geniality that we had seen, marked their comparative inexperience under circumstances less suggestive of the rigours and perils of war. And I do not think I ever saw in an assemblage of Japanese officers, whether naval or military, so many tall and fine-looking men. A few minutes of conversation took place while the guests, many of whom had probably never seen the interior of a battleship before, gazed curiously at their surroundings. Truly the place in which they found themselves presented no serious aspect of luxury or high living. The tables arranged in 'T' form, a side-board and the usual equipment of chairs completed the inventory of the furniture. But the hosts, as I have said, were not reticent in their attentions to their visitors, and cigars and cigarettes were handed round during the few minutes of conversation that followed the usual introductions. Then a hush fell over the company as a quiet looking man in plain white uniform entered the room. He walked in—was, indeed, among us before we realised that he had entered—and we found ourselves in the presence of Admiral Togo. All of course rose to their feet while Captain Takarabe of the *Manchu Maru* presented to him the various leading Japanese gentlemen—the members of the House of Peers and of the Lower House of the Diet, and the correspondents, both Japanese and foreign, whom the distinguished commander of Japan's combined squadrons had honoured with his invitation to visit him. I must suppose, make some attempt at a description of this man whose name has come so suddenly and everlastingly to our mouths. He is of a Japanese of medium size; he has what I should call a fine though not high forehead, and above all, and almost first of all, he has eyes that are clear and candid, frank and kind to a degree that must instantly awaken the interest and demand the sympathies of the most unobservant. Beside the eyes, which are one or two wrinkles which show that when Admiral Togo smiles he smiles not with his lips alone. He wears a moustache and a straggling beard, which are yet thick enough to conceal his mouth, and, like his closely cropped head, they are by no means as dark as is represented by such of his photographs as have seen the light. Indeed, Admiral Togo is a man of great education from 1872 to 1876 in the British training ship *Worcester*, but it may be new to many that he is fifty-three years of age, that he is married and that he has a large family of both sons and daughters. Stories about him are rife among his juniors, but I will only say that he is distinguished by one characteristic: no officer ever called before him for disciplinary treatment is ever subjected to harsh language. All culprits leave his presence better men for the kindness with which he tempers justice. I will add to this sketch of the world-known Admiral that the foreigners present offering on behalf of the others their congratulations and expressions of their admiration of what Admiral Togo had accomplished in the past and of his best wishes for the future. The Admiral spoke of his regret that it was not possible to receive the *Manchu Maru*'s party in any other way than this and of his great pleasure in now meeting them.

SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before His Honour, Mr. T. Sercombe Smith, Puisne Judge.)

Saturday, August 13.

WANT OF SECURITY.

Mr. H. W. Looker (of Messrs Deacon, Looker and Deacon) applied to have the action against Cheong Po Chi struck out, owing to the plaintiffs failing to find the security for costs ordered by the Court. The Puisne Judge granted the application.

FALSE IMPRISONMENT AND MALICIOUS PROSECUTION.

A. Mason sued A. G. Davis for \$1,000, being damages for false imprisonment and malicious prosecution.

Mr. H. K. Holmes appeared on behalf of the plaintiff, while Mr. H. G. C. Bailey (of Messrs Johnson, Stokes and Master) represented the defendant.

Mr. Holmes stated that the facts of the case were that at 7 p.m. on July 26 the defendant gave the plaintiff into custody on a charge of stealing his watch and chain. The defendant was taken to the station and detained there until the following morning, when the Magistrate dismissed the case. After evidence was led,

Mr. Bailey asked for an adjournment. Defendant was a commercial traveller and had been forced to go to Shanghai. The Puisne Judge—Did he go after the service of the writ?

Mr. Bailey—Yes.

The Puisne Judge—Well, he should have stayed here.

Mr. Bailey stated that as his client was away he could not put his direct evidence. He contended, however, that the defendant was not liable to pay damages as he had reasonable and proper cause for making the arrest.

The Puisne Judge, in giving judgment, said that the action was one for \$1,000 for false imprisonment and malicious prosecution. It appeared that the parties had known each other for some time, and that on July 26 they met in the Hongkong Hotel bar. While seated at a table with two other persons defendant (defendant in this action was prosecutor in the other Court) and the plaintiff (I have got the place watched. I have got the doors guarded. You have taken my watch and chain. Plaintiff treated the remarks as a joke and subsequently left the hotel. When he reached the Clock Tower he was hailed by an Indian constable, with whom was defendant. Defendant instructed the constable to take plaintiff into custody and accompanied them to the Police station. Here plaintiff was searched, articles being taken from his person, and cast into a cell, where he was forced to remain until the next morning, saying that he was unable to get the amount of bail required viz., \$2,000 cash. On the day being laid before the Magistrate defendant expressed a wish to withdraw it, but the Magistrate compelled him to go on with it. At 11 p.m. the case was adjourned until the afternoon, but defendant did not put in an appearance and the plaintiff was discharged. A private person justified in ordering the arrest of any person when a colony has been committed, and there was reasonable and proper cause for suspecting that the person arrested had committed the felony. The question in this case was whether there was reasonable and proper cause for the arrest of Mason. The law threw the whole of the onus upon the plaintiff who had to prove that the defendant preferred a charge of a criminal nature against plaintiff before a judicial officer. There was no doubt that defendant did prefer a criminal charge against plaintiff before a judicial officer, a Magistrate. The plaintiff had to prove that the proceedings terminated in his favour. He must also prove that he had suffered in person, reputation and pocket by the bringing of the charge against him. There was no doubt that he suffered in pocket; he had not shown that he suffered in reputation. The next two things he had to prove was that defendant acted maliciously and that he acted without reasonable and proper cause. There was a total absence of reasonable and proper cause in defendant acting in the manner he did. After a few days' acquaintance the defendant charged the plaintiff with stealing his watch and chain, and the Puisne Judge was satisfied that there was no reasonable and proper cause for the prosecution. With regard to malicious prosecution, it was difficult to say what motive actuated the defendant in instituting the prosecution against the plaintiff. His only motive was not for the purpose of bringing the plaintiff to justice; it may have been that defendant was displeased with plaintiff. The Puisne Judge was satisfied that defendant acted with malicious and improper motives.

He found judgment for plaintiff for \$500 with costs.

In the Summary action, the Robinson Piano Company vs. Mr. J. Lambert judgment was delivered for plaintiff for \$27.50, the amount paid into Court, and judgment was given for defendant for the \$10 disputed, all with costs.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 13th at 10.53 a.m. The barometer has fallen at all stations.

The depression announced on the 11th inst. has developed into a typhoon situated to the eastward of the Balinghai Channel and moving slowly towards the north-west.

Gradients are moderate at present on the China Coast and moderate but increasing NE winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and light variable winds in the northern part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Light variable winds, cloudy, fine.

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THE CHINA MAIL.

DEATH OF MR. E. MACKINTOSH.

A private telegram was received in the City this afternoon announcing the death of Mr. Edward Mackintosh, a partner in the firm of Messrs Butterfield and Swire. No particulars are available as to the immediate cause of death, which occurred in London on the 11th inst., but it is assumed that it must have happened somewhat suddenly, for when he left Hongkong he was in good health and the last mail left England.

Mr. Mackintosh will be remembered by the older residents in China and Hongkong as one of the cleverest business men in this part of the world. He was regarded about a quarter of a century ago as one of the smartest shipping brokers in Shanghai, and his subsequent career fully bore out the remark of one of his confidants: that 'he was as sharp as a needle.' We cannot recall the upward steps by which Mr. Mackintosh reached the headship of the firm in Hongkong, but for many years he was one of the most powerful commercial factors of his life in Hongkong, and he probably did more to push forward and discuss commercial and shipping questions than any other man in a given time. He was a grand fighter, but the subordinate in Messrs Butterfield & Swire's Office, spite of his apparent severity, would have done anything for him. That was because he was always just, and justice begets respect, esteem and affection. Mr. Mackintosh retired several years ago from Hongkong, and he has been engaged (with Mr. J. H. Scott) in directing the affairs of the big firm of Messrs John Swire and Son (Messrs Butterfield and Swire in Hongkong) since his departure up to the time of his death. As an indication of the high regard in which Mr. Mackintosh was held as an authority upon things Far Eastern, we may add that the Foreign Office seldom took any action in Far Eastern affairs without first seeking the advice of Mr. William Keewick and the gentleman whose decease we now sincerely regret.

BY WHARF AND WAVE.

The *Polynesian*, which broke down recently, left Singapore on August 3 for Saigon to have the necessary repairs to her crank-shaft effected.

The master of the s.s. *Stingen* reports that on August 2 he passed a derelict vessel in Lat. 39.34 N., Lon. 150.54 E.; and on the same date the s.s. *Lat*, 38.34 N., Lon. 150.36 E. he passed a floating mine with projecting prongs.

A colic employed on an ash-boat doing business in the harbour was charged before Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz, at the Magistrate's court, this morning, with having stolen two brasses, a snuff-box, and a copper hammer from the steamer *Alphie*. It appears that while the ash-boat was alongside of the *Alphie* the defendant went on board and was afterwards discovered with the tools in his possession. He was convicted and sentenced to four months' gaol with six hours' in the stocks.

We understand that Messrs Gilman and Co., Lloyd's Agents, have chartered Messrs Douglas Lapaik & Co. steamer *Hailongto* to visit Nanking Island, where the *Agincourt* is ashore, and the Pancel Islands where the *Baron Gordon* was recently wrecked. The firm have deputed Mr. Newman Mumford, Lloyd's Surveyor, to survey the wrecks, and if possible get them to Hongkong. Mr. Mumford will be accompanied by a full staff, including a diver, and will have a full set of gear, including three pumps. It is possible to get the wrecks off. Mr. Mumford will get them off, if he has sufficient time and plant.

The seven witnesses who gave evidence for the defence in the case of the steam launch *Kong So*, the master of which was fined \$250, by Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz yesterday, for carrying an excessive number of passengers, were arrested yesterday afternoon at the instance of Deputy Superintendent of Police. At the Magistrate's court this morning, before Mr. J. R. Kemp, they appeared on bail of \$200 each to answer to a charge of perjury in connection with the case. On the case being called Mr. Grist, who represented the defendants, applied for an adjournment, and asked His Worship to fix a date for the hearing of the charges, which he anticipated would take some time, as they would have to be heard separately. No objection being offered the case was adjourned until Monday, the 16th inst.

Mr. Halifax pointed out that the bail granted to the defendants was 'unusually light, considering the seriousness of the charges, and applying for an increase in the amount. This was opposed by Mr. Grist, but the bail was rearranged, the first defendant, who is comrade of the *Kong So*, being required to find sureties for \$2500, and the other six defendants \$750 each.

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HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

In their weekly share report, dated 13th August, Messrs Benjamin, Kelly and Potts state:—

The market has continued fairly brisk and a large general business has been put through. The principal changes have been a decline in China Sugars and a further advance in Farnham-Boys.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have ruled firm with buyers at \$600 and small sales at \$585. The London quotation is \$28 10/-. Nationals are still wanted at \$38.

Marine Insurance.—Unions have been sold at \$545 and \$540. China Traders have found buyers at \$615 and \$62. Other stocks under this heading are unchanged.

Five Insurance.—Hongkong Fire are in requisition with buyers at \$28, and Douglas Steamships are quiet at \$35. Star Ferries are in demand at \$38 for the old and at \$28 for the new issue. Shell Transport have strengthened and are wanted at \$26. Shanghai Tugs are in request at \$14 3/4 and \$14 1/2 for the ordinary and preference shares respectively.

Refineries.—Since the announcement of an interim dividend of \$5, China Sugars have suffered a reaction and have been disposed of at various rates down to \$180, closing with sellers at \$183. Pork Sugars have again been done in the North at \$11. 00.

Mining.—Ruhs are still obtainable at \$7. Chinese Engineering are offering in Shanghai at \$14 1/2.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have advanced and are wanted at \$255 with after sales at \$223 and \$224. Kowloon Wharfs have considerably strengthened and are required for \$117. Hongkong Wharfs have changed hands and are still wanted at \$150.

Land, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands have been negotiated at \$167 and \$153. Shanghai Lands are reported sold at the improved rate of \$112. Kowloon Lands continue firm at \$38, and West Point are up to \$60 buyers. Hongkong Hotels have been done in and are in demand at \$185. Astor House Hotels are quoted in Shanghai at \$33. Humphreys Estate have been booked at \$127 and \$13.

Cotton Mills.—Nothing doing.

Cigar Companies.—Sumatras are steady at \$15 65.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements have been the medium of fair business at \$291 and \$294. A. S. Watsons have changed ownership at \$151 and further shares are wanted. Electric are firm at \$147 for the old, and at \$91 for the new shares. Ices have improved and can be placed at \$240. Dairy Farms have been done and are still wanted at \$20. Steam Laundry (\$2 paid-up) have been done at \$37. Langhams have further advanced and are in request at \$15 30s.

To-day's Advertisements.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship HAICHING.

Captain ROACH, will be despatched for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 15th inst., at Noon.

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Hongkong, August 13, 1904. 1488

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Hongkong, August 13, 1904. 1489

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship YUENSANG.

Captain T. M. MEYER, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 19th inst., at 4 p.m.

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Hongkong, August 13, 1904. 1485

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Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

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Hongkong, January 9, 1904. 20-6

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

Notice of Second General Meeting of Creditors.

No. 8 of 1904.

Re The Po Fung Bank, lately trading as Bankers at No. 73, Bonham Strand, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong.

THE Second General Meeting of the Creditors in the above matter will be held at the Official Receiver's Office, Land Office, Queen's Road Central, on Monday, the 22nd day of August, 1904, at 2 o'clock at Noon (precisely), for the purpose of deciding whether the Resolution of the 5th day of August, 1904, accepting the debtor's proposal for a scheme of arrangement shall be confirmed.

Dated this 12th day of August, 1904.

BRUCE SHEPHERD, Official Receiver.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

Particulars and Conditions of the Loting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 22nd day of August, 1904, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Lai Chi Kok in the New Territory of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, from 5th April, 1904, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for the rest of the term of lease from China or for one further term of 75 years if competent for the Government so to make it.

Particulars of the Lot.

Boundary Measure.

Annual Rent.

Sum of Money.

Lot No.

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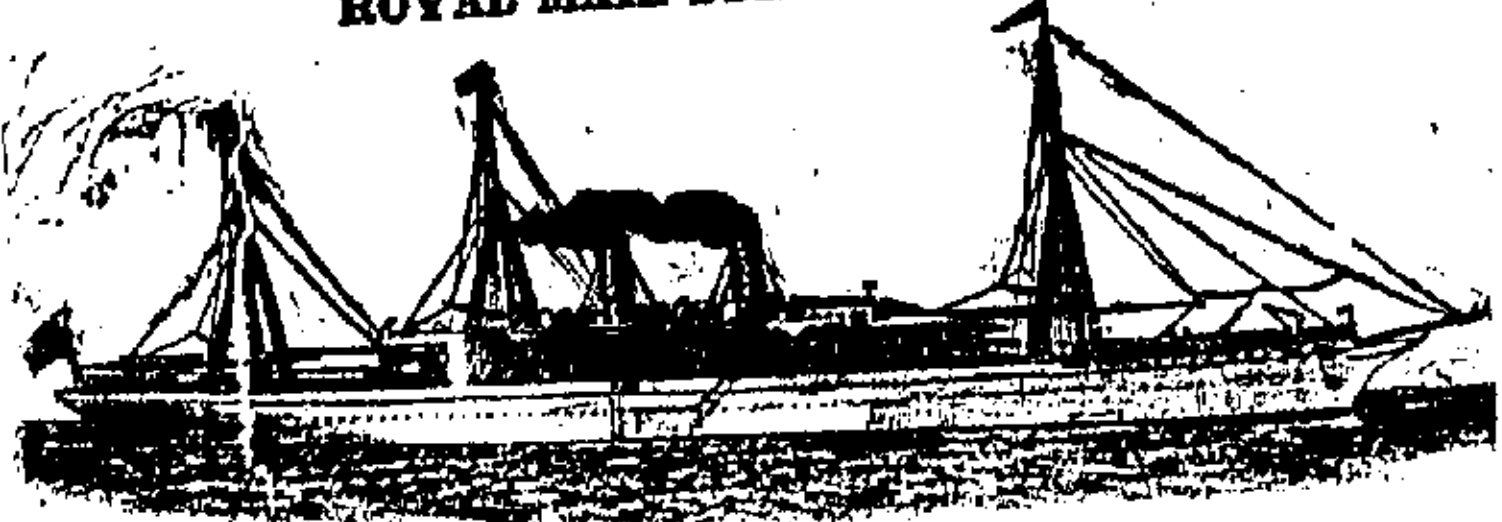
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SHANGHAI AND KOBE (Passing through the Isthmus of Suez)	P. H. W. Snow	About 23rd August.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	W. B. Palmer, R.M.S.	About 25th August.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &c.	Coromandel (G. M. Montford, R.M.S.)	Noon, 27th August.	See Special Advertisement.

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P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, August 13, 1904.

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R.M.S. EMPRESS OF CHINA	WEDNESDAY, Oct. 12.
R.M.S. EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA	WEDNESDAY, Oct. 19.
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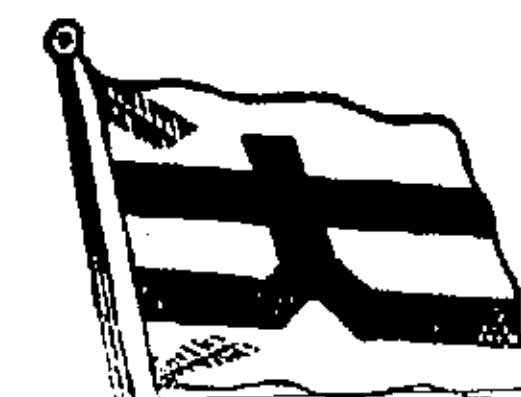
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STEAMSHIP.	TONS.	CAPTAIN.	TO SAIL ON.
ARABIA	4483	BARLE	August 25, 1904.
ARAGONIA	6198	SCHULTZ	Sept. 14, 1904.
NUMANTIA	4370	WAGNER	Oct. 10, 1904.
NICOMEDIA	4370	WAGNER	Oct. 23, 1904.

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FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
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FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.	TRIUMPH	WEDNESDAY, Aug. 17, at 10 a.m.
TAMSAI, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.	M. STRUVE	SUNDAY, 21st Aug., at 10 a.m.
ANPING, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.	TRITOS	WEDNESDAY, Aug. 24, at 10 a.m.

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T. ARIMA, Manager. Hongkong, August 11, 1904.

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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	Idomenus	19th August.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	Tydeus	26th August.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	Antenor	2nd September.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	Telemachus	4th September.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP	Idomenus	16th August.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	Sarpedon	20th August.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP	Pezeus	30th August.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP	Glaucus	13th September.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	Idomenus	2nd September.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP	Tydeus	30th September.

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Hongkong, August 5, 1904.

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MANILA	Teian	16th August.
SHANGHAI	Taiwan	16th August.
CEBU AND ILOILO	Kaipong	18th August.
SWATOW, CHEFOU AND TIENTSIN	Kansu	26th August.
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Hongkong, August 6, 1904.

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TJIPANAS	JAVA PORTS.	Second half of August.	JAPAN, VIA SHANGHAI.	First half of Sept.
TJILATJAP	JAPAN.	Second half of August.	JAVA PORTS.	Second half of August.
TJEMAH	JAPAN.	First half of September.	JAVA PORTS.	First half of Sept.

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G. M. BAIN, CHINA MAIL Office, May, 1904.

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Hongkong, August 11, 1904.

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NOTICE. STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, ADEN, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX.

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THE Company's Steamship NIPPON, Captain MISTRON, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 31st August, P.M.

For information as to Passage & Freight, apply to SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents, Prince's Building.

Hongkong, August 2, 1904.

STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

(With liberty to call at Philippine Ports.) THE Steamship HUDSON, will be despatched on or about THURSDAY, the 16th September, 1904.

For Freight or further information, apply to STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF NEW YORK, Oriental Freight Department.

Hongkong, August 12, 1904.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S. S. 'WING CHAI'. CAPTAIN SAMUEL BEIL SMITH.

DEPARTURE FROM HONGKONG on week days at 7.30 a.m.; Excursion on Saturdays at 8.30 a.m.; from MACAO week days at about 2 p.m.; Sundays at about 7.30 p.m.

FARE (week days) 1st Class (including cabin and servant) \$3. Return Ticket \$5. 2nd class \$1. 3rd, 50 Cents.

On excursion Sundays 1st, 2nd, 3rd Class Single Ticket \$2. Return Ticket \$3. Return Ticket, includingiffin and dinner either on board or at Macao Hotel, \$5. On Sundays \$5 extra will be charged for each cabin, which has accommodation for 2 or more passengers.

Wharf—At the Western end of Wing Lok Street.

The steamer runs an excursion trip every Sunday. It takes only 3 1/2 hours to reach Macao.

MING ON & CO., 2nd Floor, 16, Victoria Street, Hongkong, September 7, 1903.

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE new Twin Screw Steel Steamer KWONG CHOW, 1,300 tons, Captain J. P. MASTON, will leave HONGKONG for CANTON at 8.30 p.m. on SUNDAY, the 14th inst.

Leave CANTON for HONGKONG about 5 o'clock Every Evening (Sunday excepted).

These new Steamers have unequalled accommodation for First Class Passengers and are lit throughout by Electricity.

Passage Fare—Single Journey, \$4.00. Meals, \$1.00 each. The Company's Wharf is a short distance from the Victoria Wharf Office.

SHUI ON & CO., LTD., YUEN ON & CO., LTD., No. 7, Queen's Road West, Hongkong, February 16, 1904.

Shipping.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship CATHERINE APOAR, Captain A. STEWART, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 16th inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to D. SASSOON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, August 11, 1904.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. (Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and King through CARGO to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship EMPIRE, Captain HELMS, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 17th August, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To ensure the additional comfort of passengers the steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in state-rooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, July 28, 1904.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA. THE Steamship EMPIRE, Captain HELMS, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 17th inst., at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To ensure the additional comfort of passengers the steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in state-rooms.

For Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 5, 1904.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL. (With Liberty to Call at Philippine Ports.) PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

TO SAIL.	DATE.
LOWTHER CASTLE	About Aug. 20.
ATHOLL	Sept. 15.

For Freight and further information, apply to DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, August 9, 1904.

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL. THE Steamship EPSOM, Captain J. WHEAT, will be despatched for the above Port on or about SATURDAY, the 3rd September.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, August 4, 1904.

'SHIRE' LINE STEAMSHIP CO.

FOR HAVRE, LONDON AND ANTWERP. THE Company's Steamship MERIONETHSHIRE, Captain G. C. CONY, will be despatched for the above ports on or about WEDNESDAY, the 7th September.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Saloon Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, August 11, 1904.

Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER COROMANDEL.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Godowns of the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, Ltd., at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 10 a.m., To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underwriter, Goods remaining unclaimed after FRIDAY, the 19th August, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 19th August, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on FRIDAY, the 19th August, at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, August 12, 1904.

Vessels Advertised as Loading

TABLE 1. *Continued*

August 13, 1904

Stocks.	Nr. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotation Per Share.
BANKS				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	50,000	£ 125	all	£268, buyers.
National Bank of China, Limited.	19,970	£ 83.35	£ 10	£ 838, buyers
	29,965	£ 10	£ 8	£ 838, buyers
	750	£ 1	£ 1	£ 810, buyers
Do. Founders' shares				
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 250	£ 50	£ 268
China Insurance Co., Ltd.	24,000	£ 83.35	£ 25	£ 63
North China Insurance Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 15	£ 5	£ 67
Union Insurance Society, Ltd.	10,000	£ 25	£ 10	£ 840, sales
Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd.	8,000	£ 100	£ 60	£ 130
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	£ 100	£ 20	£ 28, sales
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	£ 250	£ 50	£ 810, sales & buyers
DOCKS.				
Hongkong Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	£ 50	all	£ 225, buyers
G. O. Fenwick & Co., Limited.	8,000	£ 25	£ 25	£ 48, sellers
New Army Dock Co., Ltd.	8,000	£ 25	£ 25	£ 127, sales
C. S. Farman, Boy & Co. Ltd.	5,700	£ 100	£ 10	£ 182, sales & buyers
SHIPBOAT, STEAM, ETC.				
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.	30,000	£ 50	£ 60	£ 226, buyers
Panama Steamship Co., Limited.	70,000	£ 15	all	£ 25
P. & O. Steamship Co., Ltd.	80,000	£ 15	£ 15	£ 304, sellers
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited.	80,000	£ 10	all	£ 112
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	10,000	£ 10	£ 10	£ 8, buyers
Shall Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 10	£ 10	£ 228, buyers
do. Preference.	100,000	£ 10	£ 10	£ 228, buyers
Tug and Tugboat Co., Ltd.	8,000	£ 50	£ 50	£ 10
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	200,000	£ 50	£ 50	£ 47, buyers
do. Preference.	100,000	£ 50	£ 50	£ 40, buyers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	£ 100	£ 100	£ 161, sales
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	£ 100	£ 100	£ 29, buyers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.	7,000	£ 50	£ 50	£ 60, sales
WHARVES.				
H. K. & Kw. Wharf & Godown Co.	30,000	£ 50	all	£ 117, sellers
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co.	20,000	£ 100	£ 100	£ 150, buyers
LARD AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	£ 100	£ 100	£ 153, sales
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	50,000	£ 50	£ 50	£ 112, sales
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	62,000	£ 50	£ 50	£ 88, buyers
Wai-Hei-Land & Building Co., Ltd.	3,764	£ 25	£ 25	£ 11
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co.	100,000	£ 10	£ 10	£ 123, buyers
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	£ 50	£ 50	£ 44, buyers
TRAMWAYS.				
H. K. High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	1,250	£ 100	all	£ 290, buyers
MINEWORKS.				
New Pungong Mining Co., Ltd.	50,000	£ 11	£ 11	Nominal
Société Française des Charbons	30,000	£ 1	all	40 cents, sellers
Ingess du Tonkin	16,000	£ 25	all	£ 400
Rand Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	900,000	£ 1	£ 1	£ 120, sellers
HOTELS ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	12,000	£ 50	all	£ 175, buyers
Astor House Hotel Ltd. (Mentioned)	2,000	£ 1.75	£ 1.75	£ 150, sellers
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (Shanghai)	30,000	£ 25	£ 25	£ 35
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	80,000	£ 1	all	£ 154, sales & buyers
Watkins Limited	10,000	£ 10	£ 1	£ 84, buyers
LIGHTING.				
H. K. & China Gas Co., Limited.	7,000	£ 10	all	£ 160, buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd.	80,000	£ 10	£ 10	£ 95, sales
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	80,000	£ 10	£ 5	£ 1, buyers
New Electric (new issue)	80,000	£ 10	£ 5	£ 1, buyers
PURE AND CEMENT.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	50,000	£ 10	£ 10	£ 229, sales
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Sells Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	8,604	£ 12 1/2	£ 12 1/2	£ 5, buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	10,000	£ 10	£ 4	£ 94, buyers
do. Limited	10,000	£ 10	£ 10	£ 115
H. K. Steam Waterworks Co., Ltd.	7,000	£ 7 1/2	all	£ 184, buyers
Hongkong Dairy Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 7 1/2	all	£ 240, buyers
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.	7,200	£ 2 1/2	£ 20	£ 390
Shanghai Planting Company, Ltd.	20,000	£ 5	£ 5	£ 110, sellers
Hong Kong Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 5	all	£ 140, sellers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 10	£ 10	£ 144, sellers
Two Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	£ 5	£ 5	£ 10, sellers
International Cotton Manufacturer Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 75	£ 75	£ 25
Lau-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	£ 10	£ 10	£ 22
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	2,000	£ 500	£ 0	